

Library Instruction Round Table: Chair-Elect Candidates

Sherry Burnett

I feel like advocacy is a problem facing many librarians. Librarians today do so much more than check in and out books. Many educators even do not realize we hold a Master's degree to do the work we do. We've come a long way from even 40 years ago but we have so much further to go. Librarians need to educate people by communicating. Some ways to help might be a monthly newsletter, adding your degree initials on your insert signature line for emailing, posting on social media your events and classes, inviting administrators to come in the library and just observe. Finding like minded people to brainstorm ideas with might help too. Together, we can change the narrative. But, it begins with us!

Amanda Chacon

The presence of libraries in the political and social agendas today ensures that all librarians should have a solid support system intact, with resources and personnel available to assist in creating and maintaining positive, safe library environments. My goal is to increase the amount of sharing among librarians in relation to instructional practices in a variety of settings (fixed schedule, flex schedule, different grade levels). Mini "Lunch and Learn" sessions can be achievable ways to engage members in participation.

Margaret Dawson

I have been employed in libraries for over 20 years and have been conducting instruction in a variety of ways during the entire time. I have been a member of LIRT for many years and am an active precipitator of TLA. As chair elect, I would learn how to best serve the round table and the TLA members before I took over the chair position.